# LICENSE PLATE AUCTION GROUP (LPAG)

Colorado Department of Revenue 1881 Pierce, Boards & Commissions Conference Room, Lakewood Colorado February 24, 2014

## Minutes to the Meeting

Members in Attendance: Bobby Juchem, Peter Pike, Peter Kopp, Kelly Perez (via telephone), Mark Simon,

Ryan Carson, TH Mack, Sr. (via telephone), Gina Robinson and Bob Gall

Guests in Attendance: Tony Anderson (DOR), Chris Hochmuth (DOR), and Dylan Ikenouye (DOR) (via

telephone), and Maury Knaizer (AG's Office covering for LeeAnn Morrill) (via telephone) Marty Zimmerman, and Laurie Churn (in Kelly Perez's office), and

Ted Derosa with CBI.

### **CONVENE:**

✓ Meeting convened at 10:01 a.m.

## **Welcome and Introductions:**

- ✓ Bobby took the roll call of who was on the phone and present in the room, see above.
- ✓ Next Bobby tried to entertain a motion to approve the January 27<sup>th</sup> minutes. Bobby moved and TH 2<sup>nd</sup> that the Minutes be approved as presented, the motion passed.

#### **New Business:**

- ✓ (Old Business item as she needed to leave in the middle of the meeting) Kelly wanted to give an update on the funding for LPAG. There are coding numbers and Agency numbers in place, consequently she is meeting with their Controller this afternoon to discuss the contract, but the money is transferred and flowing. Kelly believed the contract should be signed this week. Bobby asked if he needed to sign it, Kelly didn't know but would follow up.
- ✓ New items from the group or public None
- ✓ Update from Sustainability Subcommittee Peter Pike:
  - The Subcommittee recommended that "any retired license plate numbers or letters to be reviewed by the License Plate Auction Group before they are opened up to the public." The suggestion being that the subcommittee wanted the LPAG to vote on this and if passed be made part of any Rule promulgation that would take place. Tony noted that Maren was meeting with the EDO's office to get further clarification and guidance.
    - There was some additional discussion about adding symbols to this recommendation now so as to be ahead of the curve should law enforcement and programming ever be in a situation to allow them. Currently, Ted Derosa was able to confirm that any state that has symbols on their plates are ignored by law enforcement in reporting or asking for information on a plate configuration. After some further discussion, Bobby reminded everyone that the Subcommittee and decided to Table symbols until more definitive research can be completed about how programming and law enforcement can deal with them.

TH Mack moved that the License Plate Auction Group "have the opportunity to review any plates that come out of retirement." Gina 2nd and Bobby opened the Motion up to discussion. Discussion ensued largely around whether or not to add symbols or not.

A roll call vote was taken, the motion passed unanimously.

Mark asked Tony to ensure that when Maren was having her discussions with the DOR Leadership about symbols and Rules, that if there was going to be legislative changes to please let him know right away so he had time to get any "late" bills introduced.

Peter reminded everyone that the Subcommittee meets again today after LPAG.

#### **Old Business:**

- ✓ Tony Anderson Update on Rule: This will be held over as Maren is not present and wanted to be a part of this discussion.
- ✓ Kelly Perez, Gina Robinson Contract: (See above)
- ✓ Legislation Update Mark Simon: Mark met with Sen. Stedman regarding the loan and what happened to any remaining money from the loan at the end of the fiscal year. If a problem results with such things as "sweeping of funds" the Joint Budget Committee (JBC) will work to correct this. The second issue addressed was a continued appropriation so that LPAG could continue to pay the Vendor after July 1<sup>st</sup>, as a new fiscal year will have started. Peter asked if LPAG needed to report back to the original sponsors about LPAG's progress. Mark commented that he had kept them informed, wished to see progress a little more progress than they had.
- ✓ Use of Symbols on License Plates Bobby Juchem: It was generally agreed that this topic had already been discussed at length.
- ✓ Reviewing Dylan's Report on license plates: This will be held over as Maren is not present and wanted to be a part of this presentation.

#### Other Business:

- ✓ Peter Pike noted that since there is a contract almost in place, the discussion at the Subcommittee will be how fast LPAG can move forward with getting a plate auctioned off.
- ✓ Mark asked when the LPAG was actually going to see Dylan's report/presentation as it had been put off from last month, and now put off this month. Bobby assured Mark that LPAG would see this presentation next time regardless of who was present.

### **Public Testimony:**

✓ Peter Pike took the opportunity to remind the committee that the money raised by LPAG will support organizations that help people access Social Security Disability Benefits, which helps them get all sorts of additional services and benefits and cited a specific example of a young man who had benefitted from the programs being supported. TH Mack congratulated Peter on his work in this case. Mark Simon offered similar platitudes.

Peter clarified that the March 5<sup>th</sup> date (for the next meeting) was really for the next Subcommittee meeting and that the next full LPAG meeting will be 3/31/2014 at 10:00 here in this same room.

Peter recommended that the Subcommittee meetings continue through June and that the contractor be given a standing agenda item to report back on their activities. Bobby agreed and set the following schedule for the Subcommittee:

April 9, 2014 @ Noon April 28, 2014 @ Noon May 7, 2014 @ Noon May 19, 2014 @ Noon June 4, 2014 @ Noon June 30, 2014 @ Noon [Note that all Subcommittee meetings AFTER 3/31 will take place in Conference Room DMV100A]

Bobby adjourned the meeting at 11:00 am

Respectfully submitted
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